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Need of Action on Corruption Pressing

THE ALLDS INVESTIGATION

Is Sure to Be Broadened—Due to New Revelations by Conger—The Latter's Ordinal as a Witness Is Not Yet Ended.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 17.—Senator Benn Conger's statement that the Republican state committee got a contribution from the bridge companies' legislative "protective fund" in 1902 has only strengthened the determination of the Republican leaders here to extend the bribery investigation without delay.

In whatever way the circumstances of this contribution during the chairmanship of Colonel George W. Dunn of Binghamton may be explained, the big men of the party here seem to realize the stir it has created throughout the state and to believe that it would be suicidal to bottle up further disclosures.

Senator Conger's ordinal before the Senate committee of the whole was not over when the investigation of his charges against Senator John P. Aldrich was taken up at 11 o'clock yesterday. The Aldrich charges, however, have been overshadowed by the flood of more important revelations.

The Senate is now expected to hurry the Aldrich inquiry to its close and then pass without delay to an investigation along the lines pointed out by Conger's testimony. Whether the measures calling for a wider investigation already before the legislature pass as they were introduced or not, it is certain that some of their suggestions will be carried out. A bribery investigation without limit as to time or subject, such as is proposed by Senator Walworth's measure, is hardly a possibility.

The present intention is to turn the spotlight next on the corruption fund which Conger has admitted the bridge companies raised in 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1905.

There were signs yesterday of activity among the Democrats, who are expected to take advantage of the embarrassing situation in which the majority finds itself. While it was thought that the inquiry to which Senator Newcomb of New York submitted Congress Tuesday might be the limit of his cross-examination along this line, Conger's friends were apprehensive lest some of the Democrats try to probe further into his admission that some of the bridge companies' money went to the Republican state committee.

His confession practically assures the summoning of Colonel Dunn and the financial and disbursing officers of the state committee of 1902, when the investigation is extended beyond the Aldrich charges. The Democrats hope to prove by the bridge people that their contribution to the Republican campaign fund was not a purely spontaneous gift, made without expectation of an adequate return.

The bribery situation was discussed by the Democratic assemblymen at their weekly conference yesterday morning, but no plan of action was announced. Minority Leader Frisbie declared that the Democrats were unanimous in the belief that no check should be put upon the investigation.

When the senate committee of the whole began working yesterday, Senator Newcomb immediately called up his resolution of Tuesday, providing that the Senate shall take up the investigation of legislative corruption, so far as the bridge companies might be concerned, at

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the close of the present inquiry. Yesterday he moved that the measure be permanently laid aside. Senator Grady, Democrat, suggested that it be laid on the table, where it could be called up at any time, and his motion was carried. Grady took occasion to deny "reports" that he was an agency sitting on the lid. He also declared that he had not attempted to influence a single vote among Democrats in favor of Aldrich. As a veteran of the Senate, Grady has been accused by some of Conger's friends of being quite as averse to a searching investigation as Aldrich and others who were in office between 1901 and 1905.

The name of one of the assemblymen whom Senator Conger declared shared with Aldrich in the \$6,000 bribe distributed by the bridge interests in 1901 was announced by Conger yesterday afternoon. He said that Assemblyman Jean Burnett, who is now dead and formerly represented Ontario county, suggested an amendment to the Stevens bill, favoring the bridge companies, and that his name was written on one of the three envelopes which were distributed.

Conger also said that he was "approached" by Louis Bell, former member of the assembly from Orange county.

DUNN DOESN'T KNOW.

Cannot Tell Whether He Received Money from Bridge Companies.

Glens Falls, N. Y., Feb. 17.—"One thousand contributions were turned in to me, and that of the bridge companies might have been one; I am in no position to say whether it was or not," said George W. Dunn, former chairman of the state Republican committee, when questioned yesterday about the evidence given by State Senator Benn Conger in the Aldrich alleged bribery hearing before the Senate at Albany Tuesday.

When he was questioned further, Mr. Dunn turned and walked away.

TILLMAN TAKEN SUDDENLY ILL

Senator from South Carolina Collapses on Steps of Capitol at Washington.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Senator Tillman of South Carolina was taken suddenly ill on the steps of the capitol yesterday and had to be carried into his room by two capitol employees.

Later, he was removed to his home, where he is now under the care of a physician.

The attack yesterday is said to have been due to a recurrence of the constant old trouble, hardening of the arteries.

Doctor Pickford said he did not regard the attack as serious.

OPPOSE IMMIGRATION.

Attempt Being Made to Discourage the Hawaiian Scheme.

Honolulu, Feb. 8, via San Francisco, Feb. 17.—Reports have come from Hawaii of circulars being distributed there, sent from Honolulu to oppose the efforts of agents of the board of immigration of Hawaii, who are seeking to encourage Russian immigrants to come to these islands.

The circulars represent that Russians now here do not get proper food or sufficient pay and warn Russians not to come.

These are supposed to be the work of local agitators. Some of the last lot of Russians who came here have left the plantations and are in Honolulu. There have been no complaints that pay is too low. Complaints are heard against the plantation store system. The Russians claim it makes the cost of living too high.

TWO BIG BILLS MAY FAIL

Postal Savings and Alaska Government

ROOT WANTS AMENDMENT

Thinks It Is Unconstitutional as Presented—Trouble Also over the New Statehood Measure.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Unless Senator Root can be induced to withdraw or materially modify his amendment to the postal savings bank bill, requiring the investment of postal deposits in United States bonds, that measure probably will be defeated in the Senate.

The friends of the bill practically admit that this is the situation and they consider the crisis very imminent.

All of the administration bills providing for the conservation of natural resources will be considered by a sub-committee of the Senate committee on public land, to be composed of Senators Smith, chairman; Clark of Wyoming, Dixon, Chamberlain and Hughes. Hearings will be given.

The slow progress being made by Congress in disposing of the important measures which the president has especially urged upon its attention, is causing him extreme satisfaction and he is expressing it to congressmen who call upon him at the White House, presumably at his own request. Upon the several legislators in charge of the various measures, he has urged the necessity of prompt action, at least, on some of the minor matters of legislation.

Some of the Callers.

Among those who called were Senator Beveridge, chairman of the committee on territories, who is looking after new statehood bills; Senator Carter, in charge of the postal savings bank bill; Senator Borah, who has actively opposed some features of the Alaska bill; and Representative Hayes, ranked as an insurgent, whose aid might be helpful in securing united action by the Republican majority in the House upon the Republican platform pledges.

It is believed the president desires that such measures as the Arizona and New Mexico statehood bill, the Alaskan territorial bill and others of comparatively minor importance be acted upon at once, in order to clear the way for some of the larger subjects.

Senator Beveridge is said to have reported that he found difficulty in getting his committee together to dispose of business. A similar complaint comes from other quarters. The president will continue his personal interviews with the various leaders in the Senate and House, and if this course does not avail to promote speedy action in Congress on the measures referred to, it is entirely possible that he may feel called upon to send a special message to Congress, placing the responsibility where it belongs.

A hearing yesterday was given by the full committee on public lands to former Secretary of the Interior James R. Garfield. He discussed chiefly the bill relating to the development of water power, or through the leasing of the public land adjacent to the water. As a general principle, he approved the proposition of Secretary Ballinger, but suggested a number of changes, which convinced the committee that considerable attention must be given to the questions involved.

Mr. Garfield is of the opinion that the water power should be developed by co-operation of the federal and state governments. He endorsed the suggestion of leasing the public lands adjacent to water sites to concerns which will undertake to develop power under conditions that will prevent monopoly. He suggested that a large percentage of the proceeds from rentals should be paid by the national government to the states in which the power is developed.

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Believed Object of Visit to England

WILL BETTER FEELING

On the Part of Germany—Austro-Russian Pact Reported Signed—More About the Kaiser's Threat Against Holland.

London, Feb. 17.—Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia have arrived here. They will be guests at Buckingham palace for a week. Unusual preparations are taken to emphasize the "official" character of Prince Henry of Prussia's visit to England. Nevertheless, many Germans hope the visit may be crowned with substantial results, similar to those that followed Prince Henry's visit to the United States just eight years ago. It will be remembered that there was a considerable feeling of irritation in America previous to the prince's visit, owing to the action of the German fleet in Manila bay, a state of affairs which was very largely dissipated by the visit.

THE THREATENING OF HOLLAND.

Further Statement Made by the Author of the Charges.

The Hague, Feb. 17.—Baron von Heeckeren has sent his promised statement to the Senate in regard to his charge that the Emperor William of Germany had told Holland that if she did not fortify certain points against Great Britain he would be compelled to take possession of her territory in the event of war. When Baron von Heeckeren made the statement last week about a "neighboring sovereign" having threatened Holland in regard to her military preparedness against Great Britain, the foreign minister demanded specific proofs. Later Dr. van Swinderen, the foreign secretary, denied absolutely that Queen Wilhelmina had ever received a threatening communication from the Kaiser. In his letter to the Senate, Baron von Heeckeren says he received information from Dr. Kuyper, the former prime minister. He adds that the matter was frequently discussed between them.

BAD JAPANESE GO TO CHILE.

Tokio Government to Take Steps to Prevent Emigration.

Tokio, Feb. 17.—The condition and behavior of the Japanese emigrants to Chile are matters of comment generally. It appears that, as is the case in other batches of emigrants, a very large number of ill-conditioned and inferior Japanese coolies have gone to South America, and the result is that not only among the people of that country, but among their own nationality, they have an extremely bad reputation. The foreign office is making close investigation, and will bring back to Japan all suspicious characters in South America.

AUSTRO-RUSSIAN PACT SIGNED?

Action Taken Place at St. Petersburg, It Is Reported.

Berlin, Feb. 17.—It is reported here that an agreement of some kind has been signed by Austria and Russia. Baron von Aehrenthal, the Austrian minister of foreign affairs, has been in St. Petersburg for some time and has been quoted as saying many things favorable to Russia. The nature of the treaty or agreement is not announced.

TRIED TO TAKE HER OWN LIFE

Niece of Senator Elkins Turned Revolver Upon Herself.—Note Written Before the Rash Act Indicated Despondency.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 17.—Miss Agnes Elkins, a niece of United States Senator Stephen B. Elkins of West Virginia, shot herself yesterday at her room at a local hotel. The bullet passed through her body below the heart.

The physicians believe she has a chance for life.

A note found on the dressing table read: "I am tired of life and have no home or friends."

Miss Elkins is 25 years old. Her mother died about a year ago and shortly afterward she went to New York against the wishes of relatives in this city to apply for an engagement on the stage. Senator Elkins induced her to visit him at Elkins, W. Va., but could not change her determination to become an actress. She returned two weeks ago to prosecute a \$25,000 damage suit against the Metropolitan street railway company for injuries received a year ago, but the case was postponed.

Why Miss Elkins tried to end her life is not known. She bought a revolver Tuesday and later wrote several letters. Tuesday night, she entertained friends in her apartment and told them jokingly, as they believed, that she was considering suicide.

After the revolver shot was heard, Miss Elkins was found lying across the bed.

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Banner Year Expected For Motor Contests.

HUNDRED EVENTS PLANNED

Hill Climbs, Reliability Contests, Track and Road Races on the Program. Some of Them Will Be Dropped and Others Be Added.

An adequate idea of the constantly increasing popularity of automobile contests is given by the tentative list of dates issued by the American Automobile association. Close to a hundred events are on schedule as prepared by the contest board. While it is doubtful if all the contests mentioned are held, it appears certain that a major portion will be put through to completion, and, allowing for a certain defection and some few additions to the list, it is evident that the present year will witness more and greater auto contests than in any previous season since the adoption of the motor car as a pleasure and commercial vehicle.

In road racing alone there are already fourteen events tabulated for sanction. These include all the standard cup contests of former years. It is, however, in the circular track and motorhome contests that the surprising features of the 1910 motor racing schedule is met. There are no less than forty-five dates mentioned in the tabulation, and there is a possibility of more being added. Twenty-two reliability contests are mentioned for possible sanction, embracing nearly every section of the country. Fifteen hill climbs are grouped under the classification which refers to climbing.

Following is a list of dates as issued by the contest board previous to the granting of sanction:

Pacific Coast—Motorhome racing: Los Angeles, March 12, 13; April 5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20; May 1; Santa Rosa, May 28 (40); Los Angeles, May 28, 30, 31; July 2 & 4; Labor day; Seattle, Sept. 10, 11, 12. Hill climbs: Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 21; Kansas City, Mo., April; Bridgeport, Conn., May 20; Wilkes-Barre, Pa., June 11; Worcester, Mass., June 4; Cleveland, June; Oskoning, N. Y., June 18; Plainfield, July 11; Richmond, N. Y., middle July; Algonquin, Chicago, middle August; Denver, Minneapolis, Milan, St. Paul.

Pacific Coast—Los Angeles, Feb. 21; mile high hill climb, Redlands, Cal., Nov. 24.

Reliability contests: Philadelphia, April 15; Denver to Mexico, May to Aug. May 11; Hartford, Conn., May 11; Harrisburg, Pa., May 2 to 7; Norristown, Pa., May 18; Fort Worth, Tex., May 21; Detroit, May 23; National (Gibson) tour, A. A. A. June 15 to 20; Denver, June; New York to Seattle, July 4; Philadelphia to Wilwood, July 2; Minneapolis, Aug. 15; Munsey tour, Aug. 15; Minneapolis, Aug. 21; Philadelphia to Wilwood, Sept. 1; Cleveland, September; Kansas City, Mo., September; Louisville, Oct. 3; Chicago, Oct. 15; Denver, October; Worcester, Mass., October.

Road races: Denver, May 20; Silverhead, N. Y., June 1; Cuba, Chicago, June 2; Grand Rapids, Mich., middle July; Denver, Sept. 1; Lowell, Mass., Sept. 5; Vanderbilt, Long Island, New York, Oct. 1; Fairmount park, Philadelphia, Oct. 1; Savannah, Ga., Nov. 24.

Pacific Coast—Santa Rosa, May 9; Portland, Ore., June 11; Santa Monica, Los Angeles, July 4; Mount Baldy, Cal., Sept. 20; San Francisco-Portland, Oct. 2; Los Angeles-Phoenix, Nov. 24.

Track races: Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 13 or April 25; Birmingham, Ala., April 27; Atlanta, May 6, 8 and 9; Indianapolis Motor Speedway, May 29, 30 and 31; Boston, May 30; Brighton Beach, N. Y., May 30; Philadelphia, June 4; Columbus, O., June 18; Indianapolis, July 2, 3 and 4; Dallas, Tex., July 4; Cheyenne, Wyo., July 4; St. Paul, July 4; Wilwood, N. J., July 4; Galveston, Tex., July; Kansas City, July 18; Wilwood, Aug. 2; Philadelphia, Aug. 5; Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Aug. 11 and 13; Cheyenne, Wyo., Aug. 17; Sept. 1; Wilwood, Sept. 1; Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Sept. 2, 3 and 4; Minneapolis State Fair, auto club of Minneapolis and St. Paul, Sept. 5 and 10; Providence, R. I., Sept. 9 and 10; Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Oct. 7 and 8; Dallas, Tex., Oct. 25; Atlanta, Nov. 2; New Orleans, Nov. 6 and 8; San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 8, 9 and 13.

Training to Make Great Swimmer.

William J. Glover, the Baltimore distance swimmer, has begun training in Baltimore for a swim from Charleston bridge to Boston light in Boston harbor, next summer. Glover's training at present consists of gymnasium work. Later he will take up running to strengthen his wind, and just as soon as the weather permits he will do considerable long distance swimming.

As a distance swimmer Glover bears a good reputation. On July 17, 1905, he swam from Flat rock to Lewiston in the lower rapids of Niagara river, a distance of nearly five miles. It was a feat never before accomplished and extremely daring on account of its attendant danger. In 1901 Glover swam from Tolchester to River View park, which is located not far from Glover's home in Baltimore. The distance was about twenty-six miles.

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